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PATENTIN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR CONTROLLING THE IMPROVING OF  
A PROGRAM LAYOUT

CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.6(d): I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent via facsimile to (571) 273-8300, Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, Attn: Examiner George L. Opie, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on April 17, 2006.

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

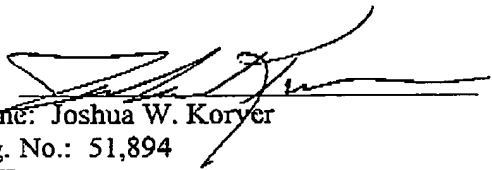
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a three-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed October 17, 2005, said period of response being extended from January 17, 2006 to April 17, 2006.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 the amount of \$1,150, \$1,020 of which is enclosed to cover the required extension fee for a large entity.

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